



University of California, Santa Barbara  
Program Learning Outcomes

**B.A. in Feminist Studies**

***Students graduating with a B.A. in Feminist Studies should be able to:***

*Discipline-specific knowledge*

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- Distinguish different forms of feminisms and feminist theories.
- Explain the ways various social factors (such as sex, gender, race/ethnicity, sexuality, class, nationality, disability) shape individual identity, social position, and power relations.
- Define key terms, including gender, sexuality, social constructionism, intersectionality.
- Use feminist perspectives to analyze contemporary global, economic, political, cultural, and social issues.

*Research skills*

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- Distinguish appropriate methods to address different research questions.
- Produce an original research proposal or paper.
- Use the library and online resources to identify and locate information.

*Critical thinking skills*

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- Distinguish different disciplinary and interdisciplinary approaches to questions and issues in the field of Feminist Studies.
- Identify and summarize an author's argument.
- Evaluate the use of evidence to support an argument.
- Identify points of agreement and disagreement among conflicting interpretations.
- Use evidence to support an argument.
- Develop an analysis that incorporates appropriate evidence.

*Presentation skills*

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- Produce written or visual artifacts in a variety of genres.
- Present information in lucid, grammatically correct prose.
- Organize an analytical essay that sustains an argument.